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### **OBITUARIES**

## Jerry Mack Magee Sr. and Jenny Marie Magee

Jerry Mack Magee Sr., 78, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 13, 2022, in Tucson, Arizona. Jerry was born on May 11, 1943, in Bisbee, Arizona to parents J.P and Ira Belle (Whitehead) Magee. Jenny Marie (Gardner) Magee, 69, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2022, in Globe, Arizona. Jenny was born April 29, 1952, in Ely, Nevada to parents Don and Faye (Roberts) Gardner

In his younger years, Jerry served in the US Navy during the

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"There are numerous countries in the world where the politicians have seized absolute power and muzzled the press. There is no country in the world where the press has seized absolute power and muzzled the politicians"

---David Brinkley

Vietnam War. He also would travel the country on various music tours and even had the chance to tour with the great Patsy Cline. He would marry and have 2 children, Melissa and Mark.

In her younger years, Jenny was a very shy person. Jenny attended school and graduated from Hayden High School. Jenny enjoyed playing clarinet and learned to sew at a very young age. Jenny's mother, Faye, taught the family the LDS lessons from home because there were not a lot of LDS children at that time. These teachings lead Jenny to have a strong faith in the Lord.

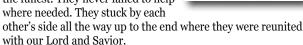
Jerry met Jenny in Hayden, AZ. After they married Jenny gave Jerry another son, Jerry Mack. Soon they would relocate to Texas, where Jenny blessed Jerry with another beautiful child, their daughter Janai. They soon relocated back to Kearny, Arizona but would eventually settle down in Aravaipa. Jerry retired from Asarco where he worked as a mechanic. Jenny was a cosmetologist and worked in many shops in the area, most recently There's Always Hope.

You could always find Jerry and Jenny at the local carnivals and events selling their famous Indian Fry Breads or Funnel Cakes. But they were best known for their turkey legs. The line to their stand was always the longest of them all.

Both Jerry and Jenny were active in the LDS Church and held many titles. They had tremendous faith in the Lord and used every opportunity to share this with their friends, family and loved ones.

Jerry and Jenny are preceded in death by their parents, and Jerry's brothers Patrick and Alfred. They are survived by Jenny's sisters, Phyllis and Bonnie; their children, Mark, Melissa, Jerry Mack, and Janai; 20 grandchildren and 12 grandchildren. They also leave behind many other loved ones whom they "adopted" over the years.

Jerry and Jenny were both loving and giving people surrounded by gratitude, faith, understanding and mostly love. They lived each day to the fullest. They never failed to help where needed. They stuck by each



Services for Jerry and Jenny will be held on Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Kearny, Arizona. Visitation will begin at 9 a.m. followed by Funeral Services at 10 a.m. Jerry will receive Military Honors by the Navy Honor Guard at 11:45 a.m. at Kearny Memorial Cemetery. Jerry and Jenny will be interred at Kearny Memorial Cemetery following Jerry's Military Honors. A luncheon and opportunity to share memories of Jenny and Jerry will follow at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Masks would be appreciated for all who attend.

For everyone who is unable to attend, Bishop Brian Coleman will be streaming services via zoom at https://bit.ly/3oAIe8y (shortened URL).





### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Local School Districts Facing Massive Cuts Due to Expenditure Limit Rule

e have another major hurdle facing public education coming up in just over a month. In 1980, concerned by some of the budget increases other states were pushing through, Arizona legislators developed a cap on public education fund spending. It is called the aggregate expenditure limit (AEL).

For those of you that are familiar with town or city politics, this is very similar

to the expenditure limitations placed on towns that must be overridden by voters. For those of you not familiar, it is basically a cap on the amount of money that public districts can spend. It is approximately 15% less than what schools and the state have already budgeted to spend for the current school year. Charter schools are exempt from this.

If this is not overturned for this year by a

2/3 vote of Arizona legislature, beginning April 1, public school districts will need to cut approximately 30% of THIS year's budget to comply (30% because we already half way through the year). This is money that the schools ALREADY HAVE but will basically have to leave sitting in their bank accounts and not be allowed to spend. With cuts like these, our rural public school districts will be decimated. Larger districts like Tucson or Phoenix Union are looking to have to cut tens of millions. It would almost certainly mean cuts to services, extra curriculars, staff layoffs, and even school shutdowns.

Superior would have to cut over \$475,000.

- Ray over \$515,000
- Hayden-Winkelman \$680,000
- Mammoth/San Manuel over \$750,000
- Oracle Elementary District-\$900,000
- Miami almost \$1.7 million
- San Carlos \$1.8 million
- CVIT over \$260,000

My students in Globe would lose almost \$2 million dollars

Remember—These cuts would not save the state money. The money would be sitting in the schools' coffers, just waiting to be spent.

Some have said that there's no way legislators or the Governor would let this happen, that they will get too much pressure from the public. However, many people I have talked to don't even know about this, so how can we pressure them if the word isn't out there. That's where I'm asking for your help.

1. Please email or call your legislators and tell them that they MUST support overturning the Aggregate Expenditure Limit on public education. Tell them your story about your kids, your community, and what the public schools in your community mean to them. If you don't know who your local legislators are you can find them here

https://www.azleg.gov/findmylegislator/

2. Please share this information with other Arizonans in your circles. We have to get the word out about this.

Lastly, thank you all for your support of my career, my colleagues, but most of our students. Nobody will be more heavily impacted by this than them.

/s/ Aja DeZeeuw Resident of Superior Globe High School Counselor

### **OBITUARIES**

## Raymond Baldenegro Gonzalez



Raymond
Baldenegro Gonzalez
aka "Smokey" was
born in Nogales,
Arizona, on Oct.
19, 1949, to Anita
Baldenegro and
Santiago Gonzalez.
He was the oldest
of 15 children.
Raymond graduated

from Hayden High School in 1969 and worked as a Boilermaker for over 30 years. For several years Raymond battled MDS cancer and died of cardiac arrest on Jan. 30, 2022.

Raymond is survived by his children, Vivian (Lencho) Sampson, Sam (Pamela Gonzalez, Andy Gonzalez, Jesus Gonzalez and Annalecia Gonzalez; grandchildren - Kaneescha, Larrianne, Samantha (Jason), Clarissa, Javier and Lucas; one great-grandchild - his namesake - Matteo Ray. He also leaves behind 10 sisters, 5 brothers, many nieces, nephews and Godchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Gloria Bravo and Teri Gonzales, two brothers, Pablo Morales and Rey Gonzalez, three nieces, Vanessa Gonzalez, Trisha Bravo and Anna Dee Martinez, and two nephews, Alfonso Guillen and Emiliano Morales. Raymond was a loving family man and

Raymond was a loving family man and avid sports fan.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2022. Viewing starts 9 a.m.; Rosary begins at 9:30 a.m. and Rite to Funeral Mass begins at 10 a.m. A reception will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Hayden Golf Clubhouse, 125 Golf Course Rd., Hayden, AZ 85235.

# Know when to go to the emergency department for COVID concerns

Many emergency departments are at capacity due to high COVID case counts, staffing challenges and increasing demand for testing. The Omicron variant is extremely contagious and that makes it important for everyone to get vaccinated and know when to go to the emergency department for COVID concerns, according to the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).

"Emergency departments in many communities are stretching to their limits," said Gillian Schmitz, MD, FACEP, president of ACEP. "You can be sure that an emergency physician is ready to care for anyone who needs immediate medical attention. Whether it's COVID-related or not, do not ignore the signs of an emergency.

But, for those seeking routine COVID tests, it may be more efficient to visit a testing site or take a test at home."

Emergency physicians continue to voice concerns about capacity issues and resource constraints. One way to ease the strain on health systems is to recognize when to treat a potential case of COVID-19 at home, and when to seek emergency care. "Fortunately for those who are vaccinated, many of the symptoms that distinguish the Omicron variant appear to be mild and can be monitored and managed at home," said Dr. Schmitz.

If you think you have COVID-19 or may have been in close contact with somebody who has the virus, it is time to get tested and

### **Charles Bibbs**



Charles (Charlie)
Bibbs, 84, passed
away Feb. 1, 2022,
due to natural causes
at his home in
Dripping Springs.
He is survived
by his wife, Judie
Bibbs; son, Scott
Bibbs; sister, Donna

Severn; sister-in-law, Paulette Lacy;

and stepchildren, Scott, Tami and Nick Sherwood.

Charlie was born and raised in Indiana and lived in Arizona for over 40 years. He retired from Asarco mine.

He loved to fish and hunt, read every Zane Grey western novel ever written and loved watching his favorite baseball teams and westerns on television.

Services for Charlie have not been scheduled.

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# Make a Resolution to Positively Impact the Life of a Child in Arizona; CASA of Gila County seeking volunteers as child advocates in the court system

Globe, AZ —January 25, 2022 - The start of a new year often comes with a list of resolutions. While they are different for everyone, many commonly center on self-improvement whether it be related to health, career or starting a new habit. CASA of Arizona (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is asking Arizonans to consider making a pledge that would significantly impact the life of a child in need.

On any given day, there are more than 13,500 children and youth in Arizona living in a foster home, with relatives, in group homes, shelters, or residential treatment centers due to being removed from their parent's care. CASA volunteers are appointed by judges throughout the state to advocate for the best interests of these children in court and other settings.

"CASA volunteers help children in foster care by serving as a consistent advocate for a child within their case and before the Court," said Charlie Gray, CASA of Arizona Program Manager. "They are there to build very real and meaningful relationships and give the judge a perspective of the child's situation that they may not otherwise see."

The need for additional CASA volunteers is great. Right now, more than 12,000 children need a CASA volunteer.

For the volunteer, the experience is often life changing. It's an opportunity to serve the community and to give a voice to a child that may otherwise feel voiceless.

"My experience was extremely eyeopening and rewarding," said a CASA volunteer. "I realized how I could fight for an individual child who is in a very vulnerable place. It taught me a lot about myself and changed my perspective on how I can have a direct impact on someone's life while contributing to our community at large."

CASA of Arizona is seeking volunteers in all 15 counties to fill the caseload gap in the state and is seeking to expand the diversity and demographics of its volunteer base.

"Arizona has a very diverse population," says Savanna Hopp, CASA of Arizona Outreach Specialist. "We want, and need CASA volunteers who are just as diverse and who reflect and represent the children we serve each day."

Volunteers with CASA of Arizona do not need any prior special training and can come from all walks of life. Anyone 21 years of age or older, who can pass a thorough background check and complete 30 hours of free training, is encouraged to apply.



To learn more, visit, www. AZCASAVolunteer.org.

For more information on the CASA of Gila County Program, please contact CASA of Gila County Coordinator Emily Nader at 928-402-4427 or enader@courts.az.gov.

You can also find us on Facebook! https://www.facebook.com/ GilaCountyCASA/

### **EMERGENCY ROOM**

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contact a primary care physician to discuss treatment options. Emergency physicians report that common symptoms associated with the Omicron variant include head or body aches and similarities with the common cold but may not include loss of sense of taste or smell. Symptoms consistent with COVID-19, regardless of variant, include:

- Fever
- Coughing
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- · New loss of taste or smell
- · Sore throat
- · Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Consider managing mild or moderate symptoms at home, similar to the way a cold or flu is treated, with over-the-counter medication as directed by a primary care physician. If positive for COVID, follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines for isolation or quarantine. Call 911 or go to the emergency department for severe illness, difficulty breathing, intense chest pain, extreme weakness, or disorientation, especially for those at high risk of COVID complications, which includes anyone older or with a weakened immune

system.

Emergency physicians remind everyone that it is still important to observe local safety guidelines and take all available precautions to avoid getting or spreading the virus. Wear a mask in crowded indoor spaces, social distance, regularly wash hands, and stay home if you are sick. It is recommended that everyone eligible get the vaccine and a booster shot. Anyone who has COVID can spread it, even if symptoms are mild.

"The choices we make to stay safe and protect each other can save lives," said Dr. Schmitz. "Everyone can do their part to slow the spread of the virus and help make sure that emergency departments remain accessible for those who are severely ill with COVID or other emergencies," said Dr. Schmitz.

#### About ACEP

The American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) is the national medical society representing emergency medicine. Through continuing education, research, public education, and advocacy, ACEP advances emergency care on behalf of its 40,000 emergency physician members, and the more than 150 million Americans they treat on an annual basis. For more information, visit www.acep.org and www.emergencyphysicians.org.



### PINAL REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Analysis of Transportation Improvement Program pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes 48-5304(5)

In accordance with the requirements of A.R.S. 48-5304(5), the Pinal Regional Transportation Authority (PRTA) is publishing this assessment and analysis of the status and implications of its current, adopted transportation improvement program (TIP) on its PRTA Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). In a November 2017 Special Election, the voters of Pinal County approved the RTP and a 20-year sales tax to help fund the roadway and public transportation projects described in that plan. The RTP consists of the three Elements listed below, to be funded over the 20-year life of the tax:

- (1) Roadway Element \$591.2 million for 13 named roadway projects
- (2) Public Transportation Element \$20 million for transit, dial-a-ride service and park-and-ride lots
- (3) Local Projects and Administrative Costs Element at least \$30 million.

The RTP prioritized the 13 named roadway projects into four sequential, five-year phases.

<u>CURRENT ADOPTED TIP</u>: On September 14, 2021, the PRTA Board approved the 5-year TIP for FY 2022 to 2026. This TIP lists PRTA expenditures for all three RTP elements, including Phase 1 and Phase 2 roadway projects, with total expenditures of \$115,810,036 (approximately \$116 million) over the five-year period. FY 2022 began on July 1, 2021, and FY 2026 will end on June 30, 2026.

<u>REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES TO DATE</u>: Collection of the tax began on April 1, 2018, and has generated approximately \$75 million through the end of 2021, but zero dollars of tax proceeds have been made available to PRTA due to a lawsuit filed in January 2018. All PRTA funds have been frozen in escrow since tax collection began more than three and a half years ago. It is hoped that the Arizona Supreme Court in early 2022 will determine that the tax was legal and that the collected revenues could at last be made available for their intended voter-approved purposes.

<u>FUNDING OUTLOOK</u>: The total amount of expected PRTA revenues for FY 2022 to 2026, including funds accrued to date, is estimated to be \$186 million or more. This easily exceeds the amount of PRTA proposed expenditures in the TIP. This revenue estimate is based on projections by a professional economist. Thus, there are expected to be sufficient tax proceeds available to pay all PRTA amounts specified in the TIP and still finish each of the five fiscal years with a substantial cash reserve.

<u>IMPLEMENTATION</u>: With funds finally expected to be available in 2022, the PRTA has developed an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with each local government that is listed as a recipient of PRTA funds in the TIP. It is expected that these IGAs will be executed in January 2022. Through these IGAs, the PRTA will provide the funding amounts specified in the 2017 election publicity materials, and the respective lead agencies will implement the projects.

<u>CONCLUSION</u>: Based on the above facts, the PRTA has not eliminated or reduced voter-approved funding amount for any RTP element or project. Furthermore, it foresees no reason to do so during the five-year duration of the FY 2022 to 2026 TIP.

### Ray teams, Lady Lobos close out 2021-2022

By Nathaniel A. Lopez Copper Basin News

The winter season has officially drawn to a close for Ray's boys and girls teams as well as

for the Lady Lobos. The playoff dreams for the Hayden Lobos remain in reach and depend on the outcome of yesterday's play in game.

Due to a misunderstanding of AZPrep365's website schedule, last week's article on

the local basketball teams contained incorrect information about the 1A sectional tournament.

On Feb. 1, the boys and girls basketball teams traveled to the neighboring Hayden to

face the Lobos. The Lady 'Cats were unable to find a win, and lost 17-37. The Bearcats had a hard time against the Lobos as well, closing out the end of the night with a loss. The final score of the boys' game was 55-79.



Hayden High School seniors and their parents were recognized between varsity games.

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February 15th 6 - 7 pm

1891 Courthouse, Florence

February 17th 6 - 7 pm

San Manuel

**Community Center** 

February 23rd 6 - 7 pm

**Casa Grande City Hall** 

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# season; Lobos to 'play in' for playoff standing

Later that week on Feb. 3, the Bearcats and Lady 'Cats hosted Leading Edge Academy. The girls' team suffered a tough loss, the final score being 16-67. The Bearcats also played a tough game against Leading Edge Academy, but couldn't come out ahead. The final score of the boys game was 49-80.

That game concluded the 2021-2022 boys and girls basketball season for the Ray Bearcats and Lady 'Cats.

The Hayden basketball teams hosted the Ray Bearcats on Feb. 1. The Lady Lobos started off the evening with a twenty point victory over the Lady 'Cats. The final score of the girls game was 37-17. The boys followed, closing out the night with a lead over the Bearcats.

On Feb. 3, the Hayden teams hosted Cicero Prep. The girls game started off with intensity, and the Lady Lobos brought it to Cicero. One advantage Hayden's team had was their team size; they were able to switch out players and stay fresh, while Cicero used their limited players. In the end, the Lady Lobos came out

with the win, beating Cicero with a final score

The Lobos found victory in the 79-55 game.

of 39-23. Between the varsity games, Hayden Athletics recognized their senior athletes for the 2021-2022 winter sports season. Those athletes were: wrestler Romeo Cruz, boys basketball player Aaron Peed, girls basketball players Amariz Ochoa, Ariza

Castillo, Miranda Gomez, Aivana Gonzales, and cheerleader Grace Ramirez-Corona.

The boys game started off with a battle for ball control. Cicero scored first with a 3-pointer, followed by the Lobos posting 2 points. In the remaining seconds of the first half the Lobos were at 19 points, but a halfcourt, buzzer beating shot, brought them up to 22 points, 10 points behind Cicero. The boys played with intensity, but Cicero began to wear them down with constant passing, and one player who kept sinking 3-pointers. The Lobos spent the second half of the game trying to catch up, while also hold down Cicero's offense. The game ended with Cicero running out the 30 remaining

seconds by passing the ball. The final score of the game was 38-58.

The following day, Feb. 4, the Lady Lobos traveled to Gilbert to face off against Leading Edge Academy. The girls were unable to come out victorious, with a final score of 11-67. That would be the Lady Lobos second loss to Leading Edge Academy, and the final game of their 2021-2022 basketball season.

Yesterday, the Lobos, ranked #9, traveled to Desert Christian, ranked #8, to play them in a 1A Conference Play-In game. The outcome of the game, which was unknown at press time, determines which team moves forward in the 1A Conference Playoffs.





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Visit Eagle One Veteran Outreach Center online at hohp4heroes.org. Eagle One provides veterans a place to learn about and apply for all services available to them.

### **Ray Bearcats PTO**

Ray Bearcat Parent-Teacher Organization will hold its monthly general meetings on the first Thursday of the month. All meetings will be held at the Ray PTO room at Ray USD, room #604. We are currently seeking new board members for our 2022-2023 fiscal year. Please email us if you would like to become a member, join the board, or have any questions! raybearcatspto@gmail.com. Follow us on facebook for more up to date details!

### Hayden Library: At the Movies

Join us at the Hayden Library every Friday at 11 a.m. for a new family movie each week.

### COVID-19 Vaccinations Offered at Cobre Valley RMC

Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center is still offering COVID-19 first series and booster vaccinations. Vaccinations will be given on Tuesday and Thursday and you must call 928-402-2888 to make an appointment. The number of unvaccinated COVID-19 patients in the hospital has been on the rise and we encourage everyone, "Choose to be vaccinated." Our Mission is Your Health.

### Kearny Magistrate Court Phone Number Change

The Kearny Magistrate Court is upgrading its phone system and the (520) 363-7752 number will be disconnected. The new phone number will be (520) 866-7821 and should be operable by Monday, Dec. 20.

### Kearny Added as Pinal County COVID-19 Testing Site

Pinal County has added a COVID-19 Testing Site in Kearny at Constitution Hall Mondays and Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Walkins are welcome but you can register/make an appointment online at https://bit.ly/3qBw1SF. For a list of all test sites in Pinal County, go online to https://bit.ly/3rl1Az2.



### **Bob Jones Museum Hours**

Bob Jones Museum is open on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from noon - 3 p.m. It will be closed the week of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's.

### Kearny Senior Citizens Meetings

Kearny Senior Citizens meet every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Constitution Hall in Kearny. All seniors are invited to attend.

### Superior Farmer's Market

Superior Farm to Fantastic Farmers Market is open every Saturday 9 a.m. to noon at the Food Court on Main Street. Fresh produce baked goods and much more. Follow us on Facebook.

### Town of Superior Election Information

The Town of Superior will have the one (1) Mayor and three (3) Town Council seats open for the upcoming Primary Election on August 2, 2022. Interested individuals should contact the Town Clerk at Town Hall, 199 N. Lobb Ave. Superior, AZ to pick up their Candidate Packets as soon as possible. Filing date begins March 5 and the deadline is April 4. Candidate Statement of Interest must be filed before Petition Signatures are collected.

### **FEBRUARY**

### Fun Van to Visit SM Community Center

Every Wednesday, the Fun Van sponsored by First Things First will be at the San Manuel Community Center 10-11:30 a.m. for parents and children ages 1-5.

### 10 Look at Your Flag! Time to Retire It?

Promoting patriotism and respect for the American flag, the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree will sponsor a flag retirement ceremony at St. Joseph School in Tucson, on Thursday, Feb. 10. If your flag needs a dignified retirement, take it to the San Manuel Elks Club or leave it in the "Flag Retirement" box at 1012 W. Webb Dr., San Manuel.

### Movie Night in San Manuel: Infinite

Every other Friday is movie night at the San Manuel Community Center. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Movie starts at 7 p.m. A \$2 donation is requested to enter. There will be snacks and drinks available for purchase. The next few movies will be Clifford (PG) on Jan 21, Infinite (PG-13) on Feb. 4 and Sonic the Hedgehog (PG) on Feb. 18.

### Honoring WWII and Korea War Veterans

The VFW and its Auxiliary, along with the American Legion in Superior, plan to honor local WWII and Korean War era veterans on Saturday, Feb. 20, at the Chamber of Commerce located at 165 W Main St at 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be served for honorees and guests. We are seeking veterans from Superior, Kearny, and Hayden/ Winkelman who served during these eras. They do not need to be combat veterans. Veterans will have their choice of receiving a commemorative hat, which indicates their era of service; or, the uniform service medal they earned while in the military. Participants will need to contact Mike Montiel at 480-272-3786, before Monday, Feb. 14 to participate in this vear's event.

### MARCH

### Kearny/Winkelman Fire Day

Have you ever thought about a career in firefighting? Or, just want to get an idea of what we do? Join us at Pioneer Park, 355 Alden Rd in Kearny on March 5, starting at 8 a.m. to get insight on what it takes, during a day filled with learning and fun. Meet your firefighters from the surrounding areas and ask questions! There will be live demonstrations, beginning with an introduction, followed by medical, wildland, extraction, swift water rescue and truck operations demos, plus apparatus demo, hands on activities, music, snow cones and popcorn. Release of liability information must be signed to participate, with children 17 years and younger needing parent or guardian signature. For more information contact Dennis Weber at 520-342-8300 or Gary Stepke at 520-366-1949. The event is hosted by the Winkelman and Kearny Fire Departments.

### Friends of Kearny Library Membership Drive

The Friends of the Kearny Library will hold a membership drive meeting on Wednesday, March 23, at 4 p.m at the Kearny Library. All interested people are urged to attend.

### **APRIL**

## 16 34th Annual Oracle Spring Run Car Show

The 34th Oracle Spring Run Car Show is scheduled for April 16, 2022 at the Pinal County Courthouse in Oracle. Entry forms can be picked up at Oracle CarQuest or at the SaddleBrooke Market & Craft Event every Friday morning 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., ask for Margaret. Entry fee is \$25 or \$30 after April 1. Trophies in 19 classes. For more information call 520-896-9609 or 520-730-5019.

### Donate Life Community Awareness Picnic

Please contact Laura E. Lopez at 928-200-0426 or Camille Formo 928-200-3328 if you would like to share with others of a loved one's journey of either being a recipient and/or organ donor at the Donate Life Community Awareness Picnic in Honor of Jax Ethan Formo on Saturday, April 23.

### **Kearny Police Report**

Items are given to the Copper Basin News by the Kearny Police Department and reflect information available at the time the report is compiled.

Activity listed Jan. 30-Feb. 5. Jan. 31

Nathen Eugene Franco, 26, was arrested on two warrants.

#### Public Notice

LAW OFFICES FULLER & STOWELL, P.C. STAPLEY PROFESSIONAL PLAZA LAW OFFICES TOLLELY A CITY OF THE STAPLEY PROFESSIONAL PLAZA 1116 E. Greenway, Suite 103 Mesa, Arizona 85203-4399 Telephone (480) 833-0709 E-Mail fspc1001@qwestoffice. net Randal L. Stowell, SBN 007513 Attorneys for Guardian and Conservator IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PINAL In the Matter of the Guardianship and Conservatorship of Guardianship and Conservatorship of CHARLES SMITH, Deceased. CASE NO. GC2020-00054 NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Assigned to the Honorable Kevin D. White) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Managed Protective Services, Inc., LF 20124, has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Charles Smith. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claim will be forever barred. Claims must be presented by delivering or mailing a written statement of the claim to Trailing a written statement of the Calant to the Personal Representative, Managed Protective Services, Inc., LF20124, 11134 West Wisconsin Avenue, Youngtown, Arizona 85363. Dated this 7th day of February, 2022. FULLER & STOWELL, P.C. /s/ By Randal L. Stowell 1116. F. Groupers. Randal L. Stowell 1116 E. Greenway, Suite 103 Mesa, Arizona 85203 Attorney CBN Legal 2/9/22, 2/16/22, 2/23/22

He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail in Florence.

#### Feb. 1

A juvenile was arrested for disorderly conduct.

Calls not listed include: extra patrol (1), ambulance (4), traffic (13), juvenile problem (1), citizen assist (1), suspicious activity (1), crisis call (1), found property

#### **Public Notice**

ROBERT E. NELSON 11333 Ponderosa Lane Franktown, CO 80116 (720) 810-2220 Pro per Christina Webster, AZCLDP #81598 Arizona Legal EASE, Inc., AZCLDP #80340 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF GILA JAMES THOMAS COUNTY OF GILA JAMES THOMAS NELSON, Deceased, Case No.: P82022-00012 NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN PROBATE NOTICE IS GIVEN:

1. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: ROBER E. NELSON has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate.

2. DEADLINE TO MAKE CLAIMS: All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice the claims will be forever barred. A.R the claims will be forever barred. A.R.S. §§14-801 through 14-3816, 3. NOTICE OF CLAIMS: To present the claim, claimant must either: a) Deliver or mail a written statement of the claim to the Personal Representative at the following address; ROBERT E. NELSON, 11333 address; ROBERT E. NELSON, 11333 address; ROBERT E. NELSON 11333 Ponderosa Lane Franktown, CO 80116 b) Commence a proceeding against the Personal Representative in the following courts; Superior Court, GILA County, State of Arizona 400 E. Ash Street, Globe, AZ 85501 Dated: 1/31/2022 /s/ ROBERT E. NELSON NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN PROBATE CBN Legal 2/9/22, 2/16/22, 2/23/22

(1), domestic disturbance

(1), 911 hang up (1), noise disturbance (2), welfare check

(3) and suspicious subjects.

#### **Public Notice**

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION NON-PROFIT CORPORATION ENTITY INFORMATION ENTITY NAME: FRIENDS OF THE KEARNY LIBRARY ENTITY ID: 23294560 ENTITY TYPE: Domestic Nonprofit Corporation EFFECTIVE DATE: 11/05/2021 CHARACTER OF BUSINESS: Non profit CORPORATION WILL HAVE MEMBERS: YES CORPORATION WILL NOT HAVE MEMBERS: NO STATUTORY AGENT MEMBERS: NO STATUTORY AGENT INFORMATION STATUTORY AGENT NAME: Crystal Ann Shor PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 429 Greenwich, KEARNY, AZ 85137 MAILING ADDRESS: PO Box 16, KEARNY, AZ 85137 KNOWN PLACE OF BUSINESS Att: Friends of the Kearny Library, 912 Tilbury Dr, Box 89, KEARNY, AZ 85137 PRINCIPAL INFORMATION DIRECTOR Crystal Ann. Short. PO Rev Director: Crystal Ann Shor - PO Box 16, KEARNY, AZ, 85137, USA -Director: Crystal Ann Shor - PO Box 16, KEARNY, AZ, 85137, USA - raggedyannshor@gmail.com - Date of Taking Office: 09/21/2021 Incorporator: Crystal Ann Shor - PO Box 16, KEARNY, AZ, 85137, USA - Date of Taking Office: Secretary: Caitlyn Richardson - PO Box 51, KEARNY, AZ, 85137, USA - Date of Taking Office: 09/29/2021 Treasurer: Toni Ann Aguirre - PO Box 1062, KEARNY, AZ, 85137, USA - Date of Taking Office: 09/21/2021 Vice-President: Maryann Chambeers - PO Box 401, KEARNY, AZ, 85137, USA - Date of Taking Office: 09/21/2021 SIGNATURE Incorporator: Crystal Ann Shor - 11/09/2021 CSBN Legal 2/9/22, 2/16/22, 2/23/22 CBN Legal 2/9/22, 2/16/22, 2/23/22

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THE HALLSTROM LAW FIRM, PLLC Kyle Hallstrom (No. 026259) 1221 E. Osborn Road #101 Phoenix, AZ 85014 Telephone: (602) 732-5530 Email: kyle@hallstromlawfirm.com ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF SAFFORD JUSTICE COURT COUNTY OF GILA, STATE OF ARIZONA 800 W. MAIN ST SAFFORD, AZ 85546 DNF ASSOCIATES LLC, Plaintiff, vs. LOREN K BLAIN, Defendant. Case No. CV2021-000174 SUMMONS THE STATE OF ARIZONA TO: Loren K Blain 2611 W Allred Ln Thatcher, AZ 85552 1. You are summoned to respond to this Complaint by filling an answer with this court and paving the court's required fee If you cannot afford to pay the required fee, you can request the court to waive or to defer the fee. 2. If you were served with this summons in the State of Arizona, the court must receive your answer to the complaint within twenty (20) calendar days from the date you were served. If you were served outside the State of Arizona, the court must receive your answer to the complaint within thirty (30) days from the date of service. If the las days from the date of service. If the last day is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, you will have until the next working day to file your answer. When calculating time, do not court the day you were served with the summons. 3. This court is located at: 800 W. MAIN ST SAFFORD, AZ 85546 4. Your answer must be in writing. (a) You may obtain an answer form from he court listed above, or on the Self-Service Center of the Arizona, Judicial Ranch Center of the Arizona Judicial Branch website at: http://www.azcourts.gov/ under the "Public Services" tab. (b) You under the "Public Services" tab. (b) You may visit http://www.azturbocourt.gov/ to prepare your answer electronically; this requires payment of an additional fee. (c) You must provide a copy of your answer to the plaintiff(s) or to the plaintiff's attorney. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER WITH THE COURT WITHIN THE TIME INDICATED ABOVE, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU, AS REQUESTED IN THE PLAINTIFF(S) COMPLAINT Signed and Sealed this COMPLAINT. Signed and Sealed this 26th day of July, 2021. /s/ Gary Griffith Justice of the Peace CBN Legal 2/9/22, 2/16/22, 2/23/22, 3/2/22

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See Town of Mammoth Website for complete Position Description and List of Responsibilities and Minimum Qualifications. www.townofmammoth.us

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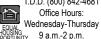
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# Support Local: Kearny Senior Citizens

n April 2020, COVID-19 brought much of Arizona's economy to a screeching halt. All businesses not deemed "essential" were ordered closed by Arizona's governor Doug Ducey.

The lockdown continued for nearly two months. When Gov. Ducey finally gave the go ahead to reopen, businesses slowly began the road to recovery. Even those listed as "essential" had a challenge with this economic recovery.

Many small businesses and non-profits in Arizona didn't survive the lockdown. The businesses that did survive are hanging on as best they can. Copper Area News wanted to give something back to the local business community as a thank you for supporting us through these troubled times. Our newspapers (Copper Basin News, Superior Sun and San Manuel Miner) have been featuring local businesses and non-profits since the beginning of 2021, encouraging our readers to Shop at Home, stay local and support our local businesses. To date, Copper Area News has featured 137 businesses and groups in the Copper Corridor.

As the COVID-19 Pandemic took its toll,

businesses, families and even local nonprofits had to adjust their strategies to keep their missions moving forward while working through the pandemic. Meetings were moved to Zoom and fundraisers had to become creative as in-person events were not allowed. Senior Centers across the nation, Arizona and in the Copper Corridor were closed to prevent the spread of the virus to our vulnerable populations. As the vaccines became more accessible, and the infection rate started dropping the centers slowly started reopening.

The Kearny Senior Citizens group has been a longstanding foundation of the Copper Basin area. They started meeting in the 1960s and are still going strong more than 50 years later. They currently have 30 members and are looking for more.

The group has only just begun meeting again on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at Constitution Hall in Kearny.

"We haven't had a meeting since COVID started," said President Manuel Carrillo. "Most of our members are fully vaccinated."

The group hosts activities that bring the elders of the community together. They

take seniors to museums, art shows, casino or shopping. They play cards or bingo. During Cleanup Kearny Day, members remove trash along the main streets of the town. They also put together and distribute food boxes during the holidays and host a toy drive for Santa.

"(We have a) monthly potluck the last

Wednesday of the month," Carrillo added. Peg Middleton and Linda Pacheco join Carrillo as Vice President and Secretary, respectively.

If you'd like to join and live in Kearny or really anywhere in the Copper Basin, please plan to attend the meetings every Wednesday at the Constitution Hall.



Kearny Senior Citizens officers are (from left) Linda Pacheco, Secretary, Manny James Carnes | CBN Carrillo, President and Peg Middleton, Vice President.



Kearny Senior Citizens present at the Feb. 2 meeting are from left (front) Linda Pacheco, Vera Carrillo and David Hamilton, Gwyreene Ward; (back) Gwynette Greenwood, Manny Carrillo, Peg Middleton, Cheryl Gerrard and Larry Gerrard.

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